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1. claims: 1-6

Recording method for recording information on a dual layer recordable disk, the method comprising a step of performing an Optimum Power Control procedure for determining an actual optimum writing power, said Optimum Power Control Procedure being performed in an OPC-area on the disk, characterized in that the Optimum Power Control procedure is performed in an OPC-area variably located on at least one of the layers of the dual layer disk.

2. claims: 7.8

A recording method for recording information on a dual layer recordable disk, characterized in that the information to be recorded is substantially equally divided between a first layer and a second layer of the dual layer disk and is written to the first and second layer such that beyond a maximum radius no data is written on both layers.

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